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For: SUBSTRATE PROCESSING METHOD AND  
SUBSTRATE PROCESSING APPARATUS

Examiner: D. Chacko Davis

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated November 30, 2006, Applicant hereby provisionally elects, without traverse, Group IV, claim 22-25, for continued examination.

Please note that Applicant reserves the right to file divisional applications covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 18-0013, under Order No. OMY-0034 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,

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